



## **REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

Tuesday, February 14, 2023 – 6:00 pm

Hosted Remotely via MS Teams

IKRAM MANSORI, PRESIDENT  
JASON CHITTAVONG, VICE-PRESIDENT  
JOSEPH BABA, WILLIAM BARNICKEL, DOUGLAS BULLARD,  
HANLEY CHAN, DEBORAH DACUMOS, COURTNEY ELLINGTON,  
CHRISTOPHER MCDONALD, STEPHEN MARTIN-PINTO, COURTNEY MILLER,  
NICHOLAS RUSANOFF, JORDAN SUN

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **ROLL CALL**

### **AGENDA CHANGES**

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **Officers' Reports**

President Report, including:

- Amended VAC Administrative Code
- Committees

Vice President Report, including:

- Mental health services at VA Medical Center. Follow-up comments to John Dubpernell's presentation at last month's meeting.

Staff Secretary Report, including:

- Return to In-Person Meetings, effective March 14, 2023.
  - Meetings return to Room 416, SF City Hall.

#### **CVSO Report**

- Elena Kim, CVSO



## **Supervisor Liaison Reports**

- District 1: Sup. Chan – Commissioner Bullard
- District 2: Sup. Stefani – Commissioner Wong (replacement needed)
- District 3: Sup. Peskin – Commissioner McDonald
- District 4: Sup. Engardio – Commissioner Barnickel
- District 5: Sup. Preston – Commissioner Chittavong
- District 6: Sup. Dorsey – Commissioner Rusanoff
- District 7: Sup. Melgar – Commissioner Chan
- District 8: Sup. Mandelman – Commissioner Dacumos
- District 9: Sup. Ronen – Commissioner Miller
- District 10: Sup. Walton – Commissioner Ellington
- District 11: Sup. Safai – Commissioner Bullard

## **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

- January 10, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes [Action /Vote]

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Commission Badges – VAC began process to obtain badges in 2021. Discuss need for ID badges, next steps, and potential funding source. [Discussion / Possible Action]

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Veteran Homeowners [Discussion / Possible Action]
  - Commissioner Chan to report on status of new state bill (formerly SB 1357) that seeks to provide property tax exemption for disabled veterans.
- California Bill to Exempt Military Retirees' Service Pension from State Income Taxes [Discussion / Possible Action]
  - Commissioner Chan to provide overview of bill.

## **GOOD WELFARE**

This is the opportunity for members of the Veterans Affairs Commission to share special thanks and congratulatory remarks for the good welfare taking place in the veteran community.



## **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

An opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Commission on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to two minutes.

Each member of the public will be allotted the same number of minutes to speak, except that public speakers using translation assistance will be allowed to testify for twice the amount of the public testimony time limit. If simultaneous translation services are used, speakers will be governed by the public testimony time limit applied to speakers not requesting translation assistance. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Members of the public who want a document placed on the overhead for display should clearly state such and subsequently remove the document when they want the screen to return to live coverage of the meeting.

## **HONORS REPORT AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

In memory of American service members in all wars and conflicts who made the ultimate sacrifice. We also remember the passing of homeless veterans, veterans who died while awaiting approval of benefits, and suicides within the veteran and armed service communities.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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### Veterans Affairs Commission Meetings:

General meetings of the SFVAC are scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month, with the exception for the month of July, when there is no scheduled SF VAC meeting, and are held in Room 416 in City Hall.



Meeting confirmation, and specific announcement of general meetings are made via public posting of the Meeting Agenda as required by law, at least 72 hours prior to scheduled meetings. Agendas for SFVAC meetings (and archived meeting minutes) are available on the SFVAC Pages of the City of San Francisco website.

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